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## AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 31, 2002, please amend the subject application as follows:

## In the specification

Please replace the specification with the enclosed Substitute Specification.

In the Claims

Amend Claims 1-14 to read as follows:

1. (Amended) A method for optimal multimedia content delivery over networks from a server to one or more clients, comprising:

delineating a state variable that represents the data rate to each client. RECEIVED

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